

In re Appln. of Andre de Haan
Serial No. Unassigned
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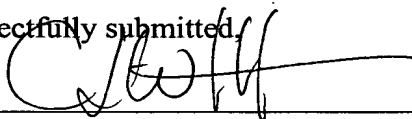
REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter this Preliminary Amendment. Claims 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 20, 21, 23, 25, 27, 28, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36 and 38, have been amended to reduce multiple dependancies and more particularly point out the subject matter Applicants consider the invention. The new claims meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112. No new matter has been added by these amendments. Support for the amendments and new claims is found in the specification as originally filed.

With these amendments, the claims pending are 1-42.

Applicants respectfully solicit allowance of the claims as amended and passage of the case to issuance. If in the opinion of the Examiner a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (312) 913-0001

Respectfully submitted,



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